

PUPPY BEHAVIOUR

Jumping

We all want to be greeted home by a happy, loving pet; they are after all a part of our family. When we say hello to someone we love we typically smile, make eye contact and give physical touch or a kiss. The way your puppy greets you may be by jumping up and trying to kiss your face. This is their way of saying 'hello I've missed you'.



We need to guide our puppy to say 'hello' in a calm and happy way.

- Using positive reinforcement, teach your puppy to 'sit'
- Every time you come home ask your puppy to 'sit' before they come inside or get cuddles
- Be consistent. Ensure every member of the family and friends that visit follows these steps

Before you know it your puppy will be sitting patiently at the door waiting to be let in for their 'hello' and family cuddles.

Jumping behaviours can be challenging, and sometimes unsafe, for young children and the elderly. Your puppy

may accidentally knock your child down or scratch their delicate skin causing a fright. If this occurs be mindful of your puppy's excitement levels when you come home. Have your puppy outside or calm before asking for a sit and involving children in the greeting.



NEVER PUSH DOWN, SMACK OR PIN YOUR PUPPY TO THE GROUND. THIS WILL NOT STOP JUMPING BEHAVIOURS AND INSTEAD WILL CREATE FEAR AND CONFUSION.

Using positive reinforcement will create a happy puppy and a family friendly 'hello' with all four paws on the ground.